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SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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SCHOLARSHIP LINKED WITH PRICE INDEX
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the amount of scholarship presently given is linked with the price index changes;

(b) whether Dr. Ambedkar Birth Centenary Celebration Committee represented to link the amount of pre-matric and post-matric scholarships with price index; and

(c) if so, action taken by the Government to implement the same?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN)

(a) No. Sir.

(b)&(c) Dr. Ambedkar Centenary Celebration Committee had recommended that the amount of scholarships under Post-Matric scholarship to Scheduled Caste students should be linked up with the cost of living index. The scholarship amount has not been linked with the price index but the rates of the scholarships have been revised upwards twice since then.